

SUPPLEMENTAL TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

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SUBJECT

"Supersedes" Note on USGS Standard Series Topographic Quadrangle Maps

BACKGROUND

The National Mapping Division has placed "supersedes" notes on USGS quadrangle maps for use in identifying previously published maps that were superseded when a new map was published (e.g. a new 7.5' map superseding a 15' map) or to identify the extent of revision performed on an existing map.

Former State indices showed the date of superseded maps. However, new State map catalog and index booklets reference only the latest map. Maps referenced in "supersedes" notes are not carried as a sale item in the USGS map sales inventory. The recent completion of once-over coverage for primary map series products for all States, except Alaska, has eliminated the need for a note referencing superseded 15' quadrangles. The introduction of new revision definitions has further reduced the need for a "supersedes" note.

Superseded maps are available to USGS employees for in-house research in the Office of Geographic and Cartographic Research's Historical Map File. They are an important source of information on previous map products for an area. Map copies from 35mm microfilm may be ordered by the general public at the Earth Science Information Center, Reston.

INSTRUCTIONS

Discontinue the use of "supersedes" notes on all NMD products. Remove existing "supersedes" notes at time of standard or limited update and at time of minor revision. Do not remove for standard and as-is reprints.

APPLIES TO

All National Mapping Division standard series maps.

ISSUED TO

EDC, EMC, MCMC, RMMC, and WMC.

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